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HOGAN, SAVAGE TOP SURVIVORS

BUT THE SPLIT CAN'T BE FAR AWAY

IN CLEVELAND:

CLEVELAND - Hulk Hogan and WWF champion Randy Savage rallied from a 4-on-2 deficit to win the main event of SURVIVOR SERIES II Thanksgiving night at the Richfield Coliseum. An estimated crowd of 13,000---at least half of which was papered---saw Curt Hennig and Dino Bravo win the semifinal 10-man match, The Powers of Pain take a bizarre tag team survival event which ended in a double turn and the Anabolic Warrior capture the opening battle.

But the Hogan-Savage victory was tainted with hints of a coming split between Hulk & Randy. The evening's results:

SURVIVOR I: BRUTUS BEEFCAKE, SAM HOUSTON, OWEN HART BLAZER, JIM BRUNZELL & ANABOLIC WARRIOR VS. DANNY DAVIS, BAD NEWS BROWN, RON BASS, GREG VALENTINE & HONKY TONK MAN. Lots of goosed applause and crowd noise in this one and in at least one of the other events. Brutus took out Davis at the 2:00 mark with a sleeper. Brown then eliminated Brunzell with the ghettoblaster four minutes later. Bad News then battled Houston, who took his typical nasty bumps, but as Houston was held by Brown for Valentine to hit, Sam ducked and Greg clobbered Brown. Bad News voluntarily left, then, saying he was "going my own way." But on a reversal at 11:00, Bass pinned Houston. Warrior didn't even enter until this point.

At 13:00, Honky pushed Owen, Valentine clamped on his figure-four and Hart (Blazer) submitted (we're told Owen's role was severely reduced from the original plan and the give-up had to be a letdown). Beefcake & Honky then got into their predictable altercation, which ended in a double countout at 16:00. This left Anabolic in against both Bass & Valentine but he used a double axhandle to eliminate both men (first Bass, then Greg) at the 18:00 mark. **SURVIVOR: ANABOLIC WARRIOR.**

SURVIVOR II: BRITISH BULLDOGS, ROCKERS, POWERS OF PAIN, HART FOUNDATION & YOUNG STALLIONS VS. TULLY & ARN, BOLSHEVIKS, ROUGEAUS, DEMOLITION, CONQUISTADORES. This one went 45:00, which some say was too long for some of the competitors. I think it was acceptable, considering an above average WWF workrate. Tully looked especially up for this one but he and Arn still look like they're crashing somebody's party. Bret Hart small packaged Ray Rougeau at 6:00 to can the brothers. Boreus Zhukov reversed a press by Jim Powers to knock out the Young Stallions. At 18:00, Marty Janetty sunset flipped Zhukov to get rid of the Russians. The Harts & Tully & Arn (I can't yet adjust to BrainBusters) had a good series which ended at 27:00 when Bret gave Tully a german suplex but pinned his own shoulders when Tully raised on the count of two.

Then, T&A and the Rockers engaged in a brawl which went all the way to the dressing room and ended in a double DQ at 31:00. Demolition Smash clotheslined Dynamite Kid (who sported a new goatee for his swan song) to send the 'Dogs packing at 36:00. Then comes the fun stuff: at 40:00, Fuji opens the ropes and his own man, Smash goes onto the floor and is counted out. An angry Ax slams Fuji to the floor and Fuj the Stooge is rescued by P.O.P., who take him to their corner. Fuji then trips up Jose Estrada and Barbarian pins him. **SURVIVORS: POWERS OF PAIN.**

SURVIVOR III: TITO SANTANA, JIM DUGGAN, JAKE ROBERTS, KEN PATERA & SCOTT CASEY (sub for BRIAN BLAIR) VS. ANDRE THE GIANT, DINO BRAVO, RICK RUDE, HARLEY RACE & CURT HENNIG. Andre didn't come in until the 13:00 mark and Jake not until 14:00. Rude put Patera out first with his "Rude Awakening" at 8:00, followed closely by a Bravo sideslam pin of Casey. Santana then pinned Harley Race, who I painfully watched for the short time he was in, wishing he had gracefully retired. At 18:00, Andre eliminated Santana. Duggan & Bravo eventually squared off and at 21:00, Jim went after Frenchy Martin and then was DQ'd for using the 2x4 on Dino. This left Jake in a semi-repeat of last year's Bam Bam Bigelow predicament, only Jake had to fight off four guys.

First, he DDT'd rude at 29:00. Andre entered and tried to choke Jake, which got the Giant disqualified. Curt Hennig, who had done in-and-out excellent work all match and some good high spots, then scored the easy pin over a lifeless Jake at 32:00. **SURVIVORS: CURT HENNIG, DINO BRAVO.**

SURVIVOR IV: HULK HOGAN, RANDY SAVAGE, HILLBILLY JIM, KOKO B. WARE & HERCULES HERNANDEZ VS. TED DIBIASE, KING HAKU, AKEEM GANG, RED ROOSTER & BUBBA BOSSMAN. Koko showed up with a new hue of a do, prompting poetry from Jesse. We'll give you the approximate times of elimination, then get to the key stuff: Hogan slam,

Savage elbow to pin Taylor (6:00), Akeem splashes Hillbilly (10:00), Bubba clothesline/suplexes Koko (12:00), DiBiase cradles Hercules after Virgil trip (17:00), Randy cradles Ted (17:30). This leaves Hulk & Randy vs. Akeem, Bubba & Haku.

Slick then begins to pick up Liz and as he does, Hogan decks him but Bubba clobbers Hulk from behind and handcuffs him before beating the tar out of him. Bubba also is counted out. But he immediately rushes into the ring and beats Savage with the nightstick, which leads to Akeem's DQ. Haku then works over Randy while Hogan is still dazed to the tune of Slick showing him the key. Haku tries to kick Randy but misses and Savage goes for a tag. But (shades of Barry & Lex) Hogan isn't there. Haku begins another round of blows but finally, Hulk recovers, gets the key, frees himself and slams and legdrops Haku for the victory. Hulk then picks up Liz which leads to a NASTY look from a still-dazed Savage. And the show fades to credits as Savage steely-eyes Hogan, who's lifting both Randy's & Liz's arms. SURVIVORS: HOGAN, SAVAGE.

SURVIVOR SIDELIGHTS: This may have been Titan's technical best. Plus, the announcers were sharp and the main event told a genuine story to set up an almost certain Savage turn at the Jan. 15 ROYAL RUMBLE.... Bossman didn't sell anything but the slam but he makes a great tough guy.... Biggest drawback: Not even the post-match interviews cleared up whether Powers of Pain or Demolition were faces or heels. It showed over the weekend when Fuji was cheered in a few cities.... We'll have a detailed post-mortem next week.

BEST LINES - VENTURA: "There's nowhere else I'd rather spend Thanksgiving night than in scenic Cleveland".... **GORILLA:** "Something stinks here." **JESSE:** "Yeah, and it ain't Cleveland.".... **SLICK:** "I thought you (Heenan) told me this guy (Taylor) was okay.".... **JESSE, on Koko's hair:** "It's pride, dyed and laid to the side."; **BEST NICKNAME - RICK RUDE,** for calling GENE OKERLUND "Divothead."; **BEST PICTURES - 1.** Fans holding up 4 Horsemen signs at Tully & Arn; 2. Savage's expression after match.

SATURDAY NIGHT'S MAIN EVENT: BROTHER BRUCE GETS LOVED

I-C TITLE: Anabolic Warrior d. Super Ninja (Rip Oliver); Hernandez d. Virgil and gives him Earl Hebner slam onto DiBiase after match. Ted slaps Virg all the way to locker room; **WWF TITLE:** Savage double DQ with Andre when Heenan, who's found Damien under the ring, is clobbered by Jake Roberts, enters ring and is tossed over top by Randy. Roberts then comes after a tied-in-the-ropes Andre with the snake but Heenan rescues; Duggan d. Zhukov in horrible match that ends with Jim groaning THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER; Rougeaus d. Stallions.

KEY ANGLE: In a well-choreographed, if overly long seg, Hogan is challenged to lose control by Slick and Brother Love and finally throws Slick over top and slams Bro. Love, then handcuffs him and spins him over the ropes and slaps him.

BEST LINES - VINCE McMAHON, "Comparing Jesse's body to the Ultimate Warrior's is like comparing horse manure to ice cream.".... **VENTURA,** "Their (Warrior's & Hercules') bodies are pretty much the same and so are their minds: stupid.".... **DIBIASE, on making Virgil wrestle Herc,** "Does Rockefeller pump oil from his wells? Does Donald Trump wash the windows on his skyscrapers?".... **JESSE,** "I have better sources than Geraldo Rivera. If I had opened up Capone's vault, I'd have found more than a lil' ol' bottle of wine.".... **STRONGEST COMMENT - JESSE, to Andre,** "I can't believe you're afraid of a snake.".... **BEST PICS - 1.** Duggan's expression while singing the Anthem; 2. Andre grabbing Jesse's lapels after snake question.

STEVE'S SIDELIGHTS By STEVE BEVERLY

This is getting cute. Almost as much of a watch as the Crockett delay in selling to Ted Turner. I get a call from a colleague shortly after many of you received your MATWATCH EXTRA on the Dusty Rhodes/NWA situation and I'm told, "Guess what? The Midnight Rider is now booking the NWA." It would be laughable if it wasn't so sad.

STEEVE'S SIDELIGHTS (Continued)

As has been so often the case in the Turner/NWA transition, the item we believe to be the truth one day turns out to be a mirage, even if temporarily so. Dusty Rhodes apparently returned to the role of NWA booker last week after Kevin Sullivan handled finishes several nights in his absence.

If you watched WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP WRESTLING Saturday, you saw how the second hour became another episode of THE DUSTY RHODES SHOW. The TRUE GRIT angle, which we'd been led to believe would not occur until SEASON'S BEATINGS on Dec. 7, was spectacularly handled, even if it did involve the Big Ball of Cholesterol. Dusty challenged Road Warrior Animal not to wait until CLASH IV to "get it on," so Animal obliged but after a Dusty clothesline, Hawk predictably entered the fray. Then, a spike was removed from the Warriors' attire and Animal used it to seemingly take out Dusty's eye.

The angle of the week has returned to WCW and I will readily admit it has been welcome, even if the talent (Bam Bam vs. Barry) has not always been properly used. The Animal/Dusty angle was fairly graphic for a TBS show and it served a dual purpose: to set up CLASH IV's Animal-Dusty singles battle to decide the holders of the NWA 6-man belts, something I know you've anxiously awaited; and, it removed David Crockett from the air for the last 45 minutes of WCW, who supposedly "went with Dusty to the hospital."

TBS officials I've talked with will not acknowledge anything about Dusty's future. The closest I was told last week was that "Dusty's future role is still in discussion." I do know that I and at least two other bulletin writers were given point-blank information from impeccable sources that Rhodes was out as booker but we tried to guard that with an "apparently" in our EXTRA because I am acutely aware of the numbers of false starts we had on the Turner buyout.

Despite its relative quality, what is sad about Saturday's angle is it brings up the entire ferris wheel again: Heel attacks Dusty, Dusty faces adversity, every face and heel discuss Dusty in interviews, Dusty gains revenge until the next attack. Our sources now tell us Dusty is being retained as booker until the NWA's new operations manager comes on board in January (believed to be Jim Hurt, a former St. Louis TV exec who has a close past association with ex-NWA president Sam Muchnick) because TBS had no firm idea on a replacement (although certain bulletins have offered key suggestions).

I'll state what has been privately speculated: this reeks of the Johnny Unitas of professional wrestling who doesn't know when to stand aside and turn over the creative reins to a fresh person. And the angles for the two key shows TBS will produce during the holidays, including the Dec. 26 PPV are apparently destined to yet again make the aging semi-legend the focal point of the December drama, when the heat should have far more

been on the promotion's once-fastest rising star, Sting. And instead of a young, innovative fresh heel team to replace the departed Shepherders, we get Ray Candy & Grizzly Boone.

Plus, since Dusty's son Dustin is scheduled to debut Dec. 7 with the NWA, no one will be surprised to see the youngster make the save of his father on CLASH IV, should Dusty, as Rooster Cogburn, face danger from Animal. I've even heard speculation Dustin may be primed to win STARRCADE's Bunkhouse Stampede when---if that event must be on the card---that battle royal should showcase the tough-guy talents of Steve Williams. I hope that info is wrong.

Without revealing results, I will tell you that Dusty has zero votes in the MATWATCH TV AWARDS poll to remain as NWA booker. As we reported in the EXTRA, Dusty was said to have been ill when he missed three consecutive shows two weekends ago. If the illness was legit, so be it. But since that weekend, NWA shows have been sprinkled with no-shows which is increasingly ticking off fans, according to my phone calls. Privately, an outbreak of "the Dusty flu," as it's being termed by insiders, is spreading.

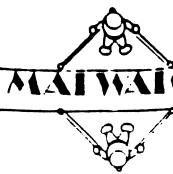
I recognize January is less than five weeks away and if changes for the better are to come, they are worth waiting for among fans intently eyeing the Turner NWA as hope for a strong pro wrestling alternative. But the TBS people need to get this situation under control fast. I truly believe the men in Atlanta who have told me they want a professional, quality product that draws good TV ratings and makes customers believe they have spent good money in arenas. But in the Dusty Rhodes situation (which, believe me, I am as tired of detailing as you are of reading), I quote the famous words of Archie Lloyd: "Some folks spread joy wherever they go....some folks spread joy WHEN they go."

C O M I N G S & G O I N G S

---Here is the complete card now for STARRCADE: FLAIR vs. LUGER with the title to change hands on a DQ (don't bet on it); U.S. TITLE: Barry Windham vs. Bam Bam Bigelow; WORLD TAG TEAM TITLE: Road Warriors vs. Sting & Dusty (a waste of Sting); WORLD TV TITLE: Rotunda vs. Steiner; Original Midnight Express vs. Midnight Express; Koloffs vs. Russian Assassins with the RAs to unmask and Paul Jones to retire if they lose; Fantastics vs. Eddie Gilbert & Ron Simmons (rematch of CLASH IV U.S. TITLE match); \$50,000 BUNKHOUSE STAMPEDE, including Steve Williams, The Commandos, Dustin Rhodes.

---CLASH IV on TBS next Wednesday night at 8:05 (ET): Steve Williams will now meet Italian Stallion and, as you saw Saturday, Gilbert & Simmons will now meet the Fantastics (the NWA board "reversed the decision" on the Shepherders/Gilbert-Simmons match since the Sheeps are now the WWF's Bushvackers). Eddie desperately wants to turn heel and this may egg it on.

---WCW definitely will move to 7:05 (ET) Saturdays beginning Jan. 7 and most weeks will be 2 hours.



---RATINGS RAP: WWF did a 10.6 in 257 markets of syndication for the week ending Nov. 13. The jump was due to a one-point increase in their USA PRIME TIME ratings. No NWA figures were available.

---Memphis' MAX PAIN has worked as jobber DARRYL PETERSON recently for the WWF but is having discussions about returning under his real name.

---RIP OLIVER makes the worst Oriental wrestler I've ever seen. Wasn't his match with the Warrior on SNME perfectly awful?

---Deep South Wrestling is dead. Funeral services were held two weeks ago. Jody Hamilton managed to last 2 1/2 years but lost most of his key talent to Jerry Blackwell's now-troubled Southern promotion last year and never made much of a threat after a couple of joint cards with the WWF in the spring of 1987.

---Joe Pedicino replaces Deep South (which still aired Mondays at 10:30 on Atlanta's WVEU with Nelson Royal's new ATLANTIC COAST WRESTLING.

---Royal is gunning for a series of ROCK & ROLL EXPRESS vs. FREEBIRDS matches in ACW. I saw a clip from Nelson's first taping on PMTW Saturday and the crowd was definitely hot.

---Black Bart & Dutch Mantel will team in CMF. Dutch powdered Tom Prichard on the set in the most recent TV taping.

---Since you FNM/SCORE viewers aren't seeing CMF, on an upcoming show, Tom Owen, who runs a Christian boys' ranch in central Alabama, is on the set with Charlie Platt when Bart comes out and shoves Owen into the set backdrop. Some serious heat develops with fans.

---A superkick by Scott Armstrong has accidentally rearranged Jerry Stubbs' nose. One insider says, "It looks like Jerry had it installed sideways."

---It's not sealed yet and I'm now supercautious about telling you anything is in the NWA. But bet half the mortgage that Gordon Solie will be back on TBS doing the Sunday show after January. Talks are being conducted.

---Titan Sports has made noises it will attempt to offer incentives to cable operators to freeze other promoters out of the PPV market. I don't think Vincie Baby has counted on Ted Turner's close association with the cable industry. Turner already has a signed deal for all four of its planned PPV shows in 1989.

---The first '89 Turner PPV will be in February with the less than exciting name of CHI-TOWN RUMBLE (which

reminds me of a botched STARRCADE and WWF's ROYAL RUMBLE). The BASH will be in July, an unnamed pay-card is set for October and STARRCADE in December.

---WWF's ROYAL RUMBLE will be Jan. 15 and its next NBC prime-time special will be Friday, Feb. 3.

---WWF returns to Jacksonville FL Friday night, headlined by Hogan-Bossman, DiBiase-Hernandez and Rockers-Brainbusters. Duggan & Bravo will appear in Lake City FL Monday.

---WWF in Montgomery AL Jan. 6 with Savage vs. Bad News on top. But Titan cancelled Winston-Salem last week because of a bad advance.

---If Dusty wanted another fat boy team, why didn't he get Buddy Rose & The Avalanche from Portland. They have a lot more color than Candy & Boone.

---Titan is claiming the 4% buy-rate it predicted for SURVIVOR SERIES. Even if they hit it, let's see if they claim some kind of "new record." By the way, the Leonard-Lalonde buy-in appears to be around 3.2% and Titan could wind up with a \$4-4.5 million loss.

---SUPER CLASH III: Verne still claims RONNIE GARVIN will be there but Garvin is already battling GREG VALENTINE in WWF matches. Ronnie won't be there.

---AWA title changes: Robert Gibson & Greg Gagne d. Pat Tanaka & Paul Diamond for the tag belts Saturday night in Minneapolis. Mendi Richter d. Medusa Miceli for the ladies' title when Magnificent Mimi called in sick.

CABLE RATINGS RAP

	Rating	Share
TBS P.M. (11/19)	3.1	5.6
NWA MAIN EVENT (11/13)	2.5	4.2
TBS A.M. (11/19)	1.4	4.3

(ANALYSIS: The 3.1 is TBS's Saturday night best in a while and it peaked at 3.4 around 7:00 when the Varsity Club/Steiner angle was shown. The other two shows were virtually flat. We had no WWF PRIME TIME numbers for 11/22 but will next week.)

TV TEMPO (Week Ending Nov. 27)

(SCW) - John Michaels d. Jim Boss; Mr. Wrestling II DQ over Steve Lawler when Chic Donovan runs in & Ray Candy saves; Chic Donovan d. Bobby Bennett and paints Bennett's neck red but John Michaels saves; Ray Candy d. Steve Bennett; SOUTHERN TITLE: Steve Prichard wins

DQ over Tommy Rich, who keeps title. Rich is "suspended" for 30 days for piledriving referee Wolfman Blackwell. RESTHOLD.

(NWC) - Hurricane Castillo Jr. d. Don Kent; El Profe d. Victor Jovica; Miguel Perez Jr. draw with Mr. Pogo; Ronnie Garvin d. Chicky Starr. DRAW-PLUS.

(CWA/SYND.) - Cactus Jack Foley/Gary Young d. Rough & Ready; Jeff Jarrett d. The Executioner; Phil Hickerson introduces Craig Brown, who loses to Brian Lee; Beauty & the Beast d. Alan Reynolds/Keith Woodard; Mike Miller/Mason d. Brian Adams/Scott Steiner. ANGLES: Stud Stable offers Bill Dundee chance to join, Dundee refuses and as he's being beaten, son Jamie tries to save and is "strangled" by Sid Vicious; Eddie Marlin announces a Vicious-Dundee match and if anyone interferes, Marlin says he will be "fired from all promotions." POWERSLAM.

(LTR) - Dick Murdoch was the "guest star" but Mama's turkey got in the way of seeing the show. Believe me, the turkey was much better!

(NWA/SYND.) - [WORLD WIDE]: U.S. TOURNEY, Fantastics d. Steve Williams & Mike Rotunda when Rick Steiner trips up Mike. Varsity Club brutally kicks out Steiner; Ric Flair/Barry Windham d. George South/Italian Stallion; Original Midnight Express win squash. POWERSLAM. [NWA PRO]: Sting & Luger d. Trent Knight/David Isley; O.K.E. d. Stallion/Curtis Thompson; Other winners: Sullivan/Rotunda, Road Warriors, Windham, Bam Bam. LOUISVILLE SLUGGER: Cornette shows TBS juice job. BOMB-PLUS.

(NWA/TBS) - [P.M.]: Eddie Gilbert/Ron Simmons d. Knight/Bob Emery; Commandos d. Rnady Mulkey/Eddie Sweat; Luger/Sting d. Brian Adams/Jerry Price; Other winners: Nikita Koloff, O.M.E., Bam Bam, Varsity Club, Steiner, Midnights, Fantastics. ANGLE: Dusty-Animal "True Gritt" eye-gouging (see STEVE'S SIDELIGHTS). RESTHOLD-PLUS.

[A.M.]: Koloffs d. Cruel Connection; Midnights d. Mulkey/Knight; Steiner d. Max Miles; Other winners: Russian A's, Bam Bam. TAPE: Barry DQ over Bobby Fulton when Bam Bam saves Fulton from claw and applies nuclear splash to Windham. RESTHOLD...just for finally showing a decent angle in the a.m. [MAIN EVENT]: Fantastics-Varsity Club from WORED WIDE; Midnights/Steiner d. Gary Royal/George South/Big Bear Collie (for the 4th time); Rotunda d. Kendall Windham (3rd run). BOMB-PLUS for all the reruns...please, don't give us another BIG BEAR COLLIE effort on NWE!

(PMTW) - Guest: Rick Stuart; ATLANTIC COAST, Rock & Roll Express d. Trent Knight/Darrin Stephens; WWF, Rockin Robin wins ladies' title from Sherri Martel; SCW: Donovan d. Bob Bennett; MEMPHIS, Stud Stable

split; W. CLASS, Kerry Von Erich DQ over J.J. Funk; CNF, Danny Davis sneak attack on Ken Wayne; PORTLAND, Beach Boys d. Mike Golden/Billy Two Eagles; FLAIR, Queen Kong double COR w. Blue Maxie; MAT CLASSIC: Jack McDonald/Joe Posendok d. Wilbur Snyder/Shandor Szabo. MARS WRESTLER OF WEEK: Rockin' Robin. POWERSLAM...the Mat Classic was a bit long but I enjoyed the old intros.

(CNF) - Tony Anthony/Jerry Stubbs d. Lee Peek/Greg Brown; Willie B. Hert d. The Eliminator; U.S. JR. TITLE: Ken Wayne d. Randy Hogan; Danny Davis d. J.D. Wolfe; Super Dave Baxter d. Reno Riggins; Johnny & Davey Rich d. Kokina/Detroit Demolition by DQ when Alan Martin/Super Dave run in and start 9-man brawl. ANGLE: Wayne attacks Davis at set to start third straight showcloser brawl. DRAW...but the Wayne-Davis brawls are too predictable.

(WWF) - [CHALLENGE]: From SNME, Dino Bravo d. Ken Patera; Brutus Beefcake d. John Latu; Tully & Arn d. Scott Hudson/Tommy Causey; Other winners: Tito Santana, Rougeaus, Red Rooster. BOMB-PLUS.

[SUPERSTARS]: King Haku d. Hercules by DQ when Herc decks Haku with chain after Ted DiBiase trips up Herc. Herc then decks both Ted & Virgil; Rick Rude d. Billy Woods; Curt Hennig d. Dave Stoudemire; Other winners: Anabolic Warrior, Jake Roberts, Young Stallions, Bubba Bossman. BRO. LOVE w. BAD NEWS BROWN & JACK TUNNEY in which Bad News chokes Jack for not giving him WWF title shot and accuses him of taking favors from Liz Poffo. RESTHOLD-PLUS.

(W. CLASS) - Samoan Swat Team d. Steve Cox/Steve Casey; Eric Embry d. Jim Ward; Brickhouse Brown d. Gary Young, then 10-man brawl erupts; J.J. Funk d. Mickey Finn Jr., Robert Fuller/Jimmy Golden win squash; Kendall Windham vs. Iceman Parsons ends in double DQ for Botswana Beast, Embry interference. ANGLES: Skandor presents Iceman with a new valet; Akbar offers Embry \$50,000 to return to his Army...Embry signs contract, decks Akbar, takes the money and announces, "I QUIT!" DRAW...for the Embry angle.

LINE OF THE WEEK - 1. Paul E. Dangerously, WORLD WIDE: "David (Crockett), we know why you're here...but tell me, Tony, who are you related to?" 2. Jim Cornette, TBS: "You've heard of Breakfast of Champions? Well, this is Lunch for Lamebrains." 3. Cornette, TBS: "A Rose by any other name STINKS!" 4. Gordon Clements, SCW, to Tommy Rich: "You're suspended! You're finished! You're through!" 5. Dutch Mantel, CNF: "They once made a Lee Peek doll but every time they set it up, it fell over on its back." 6. Boni Blackstone, PMTW: "You might say the Stud Stable is a little unstable." 7. Cornette, on TBS promo for CLASH IV: "Season's Beatings to all...and to all, a good fight!" 8. Dangerously, TBS: "Cornette, when you were a boy, you went up to every single truck driver and asked, 'Are you my faddah?'" 9. VENTURA & McMAHON, WWF: JESSE, "This town has B.O." VINCE, "I don't remember..." JESSE, "You said, 'The Orioles stink!'"

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10. Dangerously, NWA PRO: "We're just like when a volcano erupts and molten lava pours down a mountain." 11. Jim Ross, TBS: "He (Grizzly Boone) must have went to the Farmers Coop and stood on the feed scale." 12. Hawk, TBS: "Some people spike drinks. We spike Dreams." 13. Cornette, TBS: "I'm gonna take this jacket, use it as a Jonny-brush and clean that toilet-mouth Paul E. Dangerously's pipes." 14. Ross, TBS: "Paul Jones must have gotten that coat from Porter Wagoner."

STRONGEST COMMENTS - 1. Cornette, TBS: "Paul E., you don't have to worry about a kid yelling, 'Are you my daddy?,' because even if a woman could...you can't." 2. McMahon, WWF: "I'm not sure he (Anabolic) is playing with a full deck. I never did." 3. Bruce Prichard, WWF: "That's what you've done since you've been WWF president...absolutely nothing!"

PROMO OF THE YEAR - TBS, for Jim Cornette reciting "A Christmas Poem" to plug SEASON'S BEATINGS. You have to see it to believe it!

BEST PICTURES - 1. M. CLASS, for Embry-Akbar angle; 2. TBS, for Cornette interview so hyper his nose bleeds; 3. TBS, Dusty-Animal angle; 4. WWF, Tunney being choked by Bad News.

NICKNAMES OF THE WEEK - 1. Hawk, for calling Dusty Popeye Rhodes. 2. Smash, WWF, for Fuj the Stooge. 3. Cornette, for naming Midnights' finishing hold the Sledge-O-Matic ("it slices, it dices.").

QUESTION OF THE WEEK - 1. Monsoon, WWF, Z-Channel (L.A.): "Have they (Tully & Arn) every singulatively or collectively held any titles?"

BLOOPER AWARDS - 1. Jerry Quito, M. CLASS ring announcer, for introducing "Samolian Swat Team"; 2. Cornette, NWA PRO: "In Starrcade '86, we're gonna fight for the name"; 3. CNF, for graphic identifying Private PLYE."

BOD AWARDS - 1. SCM, for tasteless shot of T-shirt reading "TOMMY RICH AIN'T S---!" (Sorry, folks, on the side of the kids.); 2. David Crockett, WORLD WIDE, for blatant cheerleading during Fantastics/Varsity Club match.

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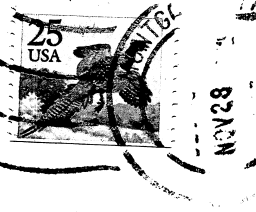
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